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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th, 1949

7:30 P. M.

Cocktails at 6:45 P. M.

New York Newspaper Guild, 133 West 44th Street, New York City

\$2.50 - Tip and Tax Included - - - - - \$3.00 for Guests

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AS ANNOUNCED IN THE LAST ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN, THE DINNER OF THE OPC FOR JUNE FIFTEENTH WILL BE HELD IN HONOR OF THE WAR CORRESPONDENTS WHO COVERED D-DAY, JUNE 6th, 1944 -- whether they went on the American Overseas Airlines Junket or not -- Those who could not go, for one reason or another, will be present to ask those who did what the changes have been in five years.

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WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF THE DINNER WHEN OPC MEMBERS AND OTHER WAR CORRESPONDENTS WHO WILL HAVE RETURNED THE NIGHT BEFORE FROM A TWO WEEKS TRIP THROUGH ENGLAND, FRANCE AND GERMANY WILL GET TOGETHER INFORMALLY WITH COLLEAGUES HERE IN NEW YORK AND TALK AD INFINITUM ABOUT THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE.

The last Bulletin indicated the fourteen members who are OPC members among the forty correspondents of the junket.

This get-together should be one of the most interesting of the year so send in your reservations early.

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THE EXPANDING CLUB ROOMS OF THE OPC NOW HAVE AN EXTRA ROOM FOR THE GROWING LIBRARY OF THE CLUB, THE IMPORTANT FILES AND INFORMATION WHICH IS PILING UP YEAR AFTER YEAR. NEWS PICTURES OF MEMBERS, SOME FRESH PAINT, NEW BOOKS, WINDOW BOXES OF FLOWERS, ETC. ADD TO THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

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There will be a meeting of the new House Committee on Tuesday, June 14th in the clubrooms at 5:30 P.M. President Frank Kelley and Chairman Larry Blochman have announced the following members of the Committee for the coming year:

Robert Eckhouse	Ken Giniger	Geraldine Sartain
Ted Ediger	Jack LeVien	Carol Weld
Grace Corson	Matthew Huttner	Kathryn Cravens
Charles Gillett	Marion Sanford	

IMPORTANT ... A large number of American newspapermen, apparently selected from a list of names provided by so-called Communists in the New York Newspaper Guild before they were ousted have received an interesting document and questionnaire from the International Organization of Journalists in Prague. Newspapermen receiving the document and questionnaire include those friendly to the Commies, or who are fellow travelers or those who were just not outspoken against them, according to colleagues in New York. "Espionage is cheap when all a totalitarian group has to do is send out a list of questions (including that of asking these American journalists what their military service has been," say some OPC members.

A copy of this questionnaire is obtainable at the Club. It is thorough in its questioning with such items as: What are your prospects for an increase in salary?: Have you had any disciplinary fines or punishments in your paper or agency?: Do you own your own flat?: Where do you spend your holidays? etc., etc., etc. ....

JACK GLENN, President of the Screen Directors Guild, has announced the first public Forum of the Guild on Thursday, June 23rd at 8:30 P.M. at the Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53rd St., when documentary films of the United Nations made by producers in several countries will be shown for the first time, before being released for general distribution. Call Jack at the March of Time if you would like to attend.

MIKE STERN of Fawcett Publications in Europe covered a hot yarn for his magazine last week in Lisbon and Madrid where he met RALPH FORTE of the United Press, deep in work but not too busy to be reading three copies of the Club Bulletin which had piled up in the mails. Both send regards to fellow members.

CLINTON GREEN of the New York Times has returned to his post in the London office.

CLETE ROBERTS of Warner Brothers, KFWB and the Mutual Don Lee network in Hollywood, has returned from a two months assignment to France and Germany, where he motored across Normandy to Omaha and Utah beaches to make pre-dated broadcasts for June 6th, D-Day, release. He covered the lifting of the Berlin blockade with BILL DOWNS of CBS, both doing a "Man on the Autobahn" broadcast. CLETE says he read the latest OPC Bulletins on the boards of the Press Clubs of Berlin and Weisbaden.

Newsweek members report that Charles Brown has returned from a trip to England, Paris, Palestine and Egypt.

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# AMERICAN AIRLINES





REAVIS O'NEAL, Member of the Board of Governors, is the proud father of a third son, born on Saturday, May 28th, in the White Plains Hospital. Grantland O'Neal, weighing more than five pounds and his mother are getting along nicely.

EMILE C. SCHURMACHER relates the story of Nick Collear, Chief of the Patrol Section of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the United States Department of Justice, in the current issue of True magazine in which he describes the smuggling business of human contraband into the U.S.

H. V. KALTENBORN has received something like 1,000 requests for his anniversary broadcast, Decade of Destiny, celebrating his tenth year with the same sponsor and his tenth year with NBC. He has never missed a scheduled broadcast or been late for one.

EDGAR ANSEL MOWRER, author of "The Nightmare of American Policy", will speak at the Mount Holyoke College Institute on the United Nations, which will be held from June 26th to July 23rd. BENJAMIN COHEN, assistant secretary general of the UN for Public Information, will also address the seminar.

NEWS OF OUR GUEST MEMBERS: T. C. T'ANG of the Central News Agency of China is on a trip to China for several months... JOSEPH TAMESTHIT of the Tangier Rivera has returned to North Africa for a short vacation... FRANCES CINELLI, has left New York to join the State Department Bureau of Information. She returned recently from a four months free lance writing trip to Italy and France.

ANDRE VISSON, roving editor of the Reader's Digest left for Europe on June 1st and will not be back before the first week in October. His chapter in the Overseas Press Club's forthcoming book "MEN WHO SHAPE YOUR WORLD" on Henri Spaak will be published in the July issue of Reader's Digest.

SIDNEY J. GOODMAN has just returned from a business and news-gathering trip to the West Coast...

STUART GRIFFIN, PIO in Tokyo, Japan, has just published a book on the first six months of the Occupation of Japan, in Japanese characters, "Once Sacred Soil", published by Dai Iti Shobo of Tokyo. GRIFFIN expects to come to the States for a vacation around Christmas time.

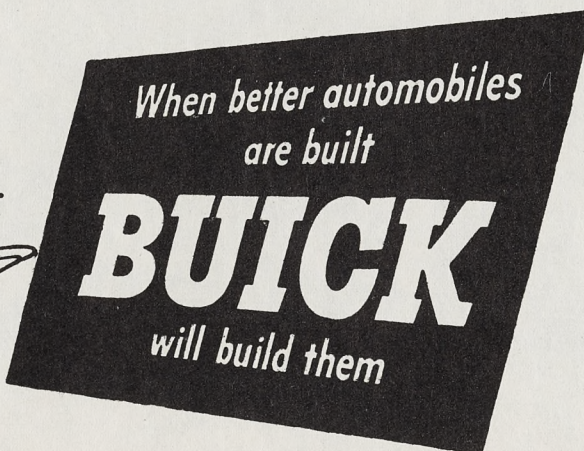
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MARK GAYN, formerly in Ankara, Turkey, can be reached now at the U.S. Embassy in Belgrade. He expects to be in the United States around October for a visit.

FRED ROSEN, formerly with World Video, is now to be liaison officer of the Government of India here in New York although he will also have offices in Washington, D.C.

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JOE LAITIN of Reuters New York office reports that some members will be interested to learn that Livingston Pomeroy of United Press' pre-war Rome Bureau and with CBS during the war was married last week in Rome to Cecilly Jarrett of the British Embassy.

BERT PERKINS of Fairchild Publications in Paris and London reports that LEE STOWE of The Reporter arrived safely in Paris last week; that Arthur Moss is there looking over places he knew when he was with the Paris Herald and Erskinne Gwynne's "Boulevardier" and that Bill Bird, formerly of the New York Sun who moved to Tangier a couple of years ago, is due back in Paris for a visit in August.

Members report that those of us who are covering the Big Four Conference are finding things more expensive than when they were last in Paris. There is not much difference now between the black and the official rate for exchange so cocktails are more expensive at 130 Francs when they get 320 Francs to the dollar rather than 450 which was sometimes available.

PERCY FINCH of Leucadia, California, is in New York for a short visit and can be reached at the Hotel Royalton. He has seen lots of friends at Bleeck's like FRANK KELLEY, AL NEWMAN and PHIL REED, former colleagues of his in the war days in the Pacific. Percy says that the body of John Cashman, former one-armed war correspondent for the International News Service in the Pacific was brought back from Okinawa where he was the last war correspondent to be killed. He was buried in San Diego where his mother still lives.

JOHN MOROSO of the Associated Press said "Bon Voyage" last week to his old friend and colleague Barry Bingham, owner and publisher of the Louisville Courier Journal when he sailed for Europe to become coordinator for the ECA in Paris.

POIA RASHKOVSKY, formerly of the Truth newspaper of Australia, will sail for Paris soon to spend a few months there.

JOE RAVOTTO, of the U.S. Embassy in Paris, has arrived safely in New York and has been busy seeing old friends and colleagues of the OPC... Sergeant Vincent Dargis, formerly of the Signal Corps in Tokyo, is home on leave and dropped into the club to say hello to club members.

KAY BOYLE's new book "His Human Majesty" published by Whittlesey House is described by LEWIS GANNETT of the New York Herald Tribune as "writing as vibrant as mountain sunlight in the snow." As far as we know, Kay is still in Europe.

Several OPC members were in the clubrooms recently lamenting their bad luck on most everything, including the weather. One finally said, "Why, things are so bad that if there were only two OPC members left in the world with one woman and she was sawed in half, I would get the half that eats."

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NAT BARROWS, of the Chicago Daily News, won one of the awards for Distinguished Service in American Journalism, made annually by Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society, Editor and Publisher announced recently. Nat who won his award for foreign correspondence, leaves soon for Holland and Indonesia on a special junket to be made by about fifteen U.S. newspapermen, leaving June 13th and returning about a month later.

MERRILL MUELLER of NBC, also won an award for Distinguished Service to American journalism from Sigma Delta Chi for radio newswriting from London and Paris, especially for his reporting of the overthrow of the government of Czechoslovakia and the substitution of the Communist regime.

DAVE EYNON of Swarthmore, Pa. will spend the summer in Holland where he has several assignments. He plans to attend the University of Utrecht during July and then free lance for the rest of the summer. Anyone wishing him to cover story or picture assignments can contact him at 345 Vassar Avenue, Swarthmore, Pa.

JACK BIRNS, Time-Life photographer, expects his present assignment in the Far East to continue until January, 1950 when he may come back to the States for a brief stay.

Philip Perlman, Solicitor General of the United States, spoke of the work of his office before the club at a luncheon held at the Hotel Pierre on Wednesday, May 25th. Glimpsed around were WILLIAM F. BROOKS, V.P. of NBC; HORTENSE MACDONALD; HENRY GELLERMAN; LEO GLASSMAN, whose book "Janie's Wonderful Journey" was the jackpot of the day; Harold Egan, now with the Associated Press in Philadelphia, one time sports columnist for the Chicago Tribune in Paris where he was Sparrow Robertson's opposite number; JOE DINE of NBC, ADELE NATHAN, etc.

Mr. Perlman, former city editor of the Baltimore Sun, said that there are 26,000 employees in the Attorney General's office; 10,000 more working on immigration and 7,000 in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Seventy-nine million people came or left the United States during the past year. Fifteen thousand persons were stopped at our borders when they were trying to enter the country illegally.

When the Attorney General is not in Washington, the Solicitor General acts for him. The Solicitor General's office studies carefully, through its experts, the cases coming from the lower to the higher courts and in five cases recommended that the Supreme Court reverse the decision of the lower courts. Most of Mr. Perlman's speech was off the record.

The Solicitor General said that in the case of Eisler, he (Eisler) had made false statements about citizenship, etc. and it was for this reason that the bail was set at \$10,000. Asked whether this amount of bail was because of the Communist leanings of Eisler, Mr. Perlman said that it could have been for \$100,000.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor

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